

is the adoption of the committee amendment which is the adding of the emergency clause to the bill. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Voting on the Appropriations Committee amendment to LB 263. Please record your vote. Have you all voted? Clerk will record the vote.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of the committee amendments.

PRESIDENT: The motion carried, the committee amendments are adopted. Now, Senator Goodrich.

SENATOR GOODRICH: Mr. President, members of the body, all the way through the Legislative process this year and for the last two or three years we have been looking desperately for any ways we could find that would reduce the General Fund drain, the items that could be diverted, paid for with with some other source, that type of thing, that would eliminate that pressure on the General Fund expenditures. We had a discussion with the Workmens Comp Court and this bill and the next one up are the result of some of those conversations that we have had with the court. This one says, in essence, that when. . . see the insurance, I'm sorry let me rephrase that. There is a fund, in other words that whereby the courts, the court itself could pay for items out of the 1% fee that is charged to insurance companies and other self insureds, it creates a fund in the compensation court. What we are saying in essence is that also in this particular bill there are forms that the court develops, prints up and furnishes to the various public people that need those forms, like insurance companies that have filed claims and stuff like that. Any of the forms that are developed and printed by the court itself can be furnished, just like before, except we are allowing the court now, in this bill, to charge a fee for those.... the cost of the printing of those forms and furnishing those forms. This does not mean that if the insurance company or somebody or some self insured for example wants to furnish their own they can. They get the form from the court and if they use a large number of them they can print their own if they want to. But if they want the court to furnish that form in quantities then the court, in this bill, would be allowed to charge a fee for furnishing those forms so as to recover their cost of printing the forms and furnishing those forms. That is really what the bill does. It just allows the court to furnish the forms themselves if the people want to pay for the printing of them, the states cost of printing of them or they can print their own once they get the form designed by the Workmens Comp court, the